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15 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 16 SAN JOSE DIVISION

17 THANH HUYNH; VENUS BENABIDES;  
 RUDY GARCIA; LYNDA GOMES;  
 18 NICHOLAS WALLACE, a minor, by his  
 guardian ad litem, LYNDA GOMES; LILLIE  
 19 WARE; STEPHEN JONES, a minor, by his  
 guardian ad litem, LILLIE WARE; DEHAB  
 20 HAILE; and FREIHIWET TESFAMARIAM, on  
 behalf of themselves and all others similarly  
 21 situated,

22 Plaintiffs,

23 v.

24 ALEX SANCHEZ, in his official capacity as  
 Executive Director of the HOUSING  
 25 AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA  
 CLARA; HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE  
 26 COUNTY OF SANTA CLARA, and DOES 1  
 through 20, inclusive,

27 Defendants.  
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Case No. 5:14-cv-02367 LHK

**PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF ARGUMENT  
 BY JUNIOR ATTORNEYS**

1 On May 12, 2016 at 1:30 p.m., this court has scheduled argument on the parties' cross  
2 motions for summary judgment. As a number of courts have recognized "in today's practice of  
3 law, fewer cases go to trial and there are generally fewer speaking opportunities in court,  
4 particularly for young lawyers (i.e., lawyers practicing for less than seven years)." *See, e.g.,*  
5 *Secured Structures, LLC v. Alarm Security Group, LLC, Order*, Civ. Act. No. 6:14-CV-930 (E.D.  
6 Tex., Mitchell, J., Jan. 22, 2016); [http://chipsnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Judicial-](http://chipsnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Judicial-Orders-re-Next-Gen-3-9-16.pdf)  
7 [Orders-re-Next-Gen-3-9-16.pdf](http://chipsnetwork.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Judicial-Orders-re-Next-Gen-3-9-16.pdf); [www.nextgenlawyers.com](http://www.nextgenlawyers.com) (judicial orders).

8 A number of courts "strongly encourage[] the parties to be mindful of opportunities for  
9 young lawyers to argue in front of the Court, particularly for motions where the young lawyer  
10 drafted or contributed significantly to the underlying motion or response." *See, e.g., id.*

11 This Court has likewise encouraged parties to "permit less experienced lawyers" to have  
12 stand-up opportunities. *See, e.g.,* Guidelines for Final Pretrial Conference in Bench Trials Before  
13 District Judge Lucy H. Koh ¶ G (Jan. 3, 2011); Guidelines for Final Pretrial Conference in Jury  
14 Trials Before District Judge Lucy H. Koh ¶ G (Jan. 3, 2011).

15 Plaintiffs respectfully notify the Court that they intend to have first year associate Holly K.  
16 Victorson and second year associate Emily Petersen Garff argue the upcoming summary judgment  
17 motions. Ms. Victorson and Ms. Garff were the primary drafters of Plaintiffs' briefing, and were  
18 involved in taking much of the discovery Plaintiffs relied upon in their motion. Given the gravity  
19 of the issue before this Court, Plaintiffs respectfully request that more experienced counsel be able  
20 to assist in the argument should the need arise.

21 Dated: April 13, 2016

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